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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement of Billing-Medel et al., for REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE BREAST, the specification of which was filed on November 17, 1998 and received Serial No. 09/193,538.

Also enclosed is a Return-Receipt Postcard.

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> Respectfully submitted, Billing-Medel et al.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement contained in the Office Action of October 26, 1999 Applicants respectfully elect Group I (i.e., claims 1-22, 38, 41, 45-49), with traverse.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the above, she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted, Billing-Medel et al.

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